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Why People of Choice will be attracted to the Education & Workforce System

- Strong Community College with Workforce Training & 2 year College Degree Training
- Schools which compete on test scores & state report cards
- Strong School extracurricular activities – sports, other physical activity, updated technology lab, etc.
- Positive School/Business Partnerships

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Why People of Choice will be attracted to the Housing & Neighborhood Improvement System

- Broad mix of housing & Prices
- Value of Property will not decline
- State of the art amenities
- Appearance of the neighborhood is very attractive

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Why People of Choice will be attracted to the Transportation & Economic Development System

- Job opportunities
- Low barriers to jobs
- Fantastic Access to transit
- Mix of transit: traditional transit, employer shuttle programs

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Why People of Choice will be attracted to the Safety System

- Want to be able to communicate/demonstrate that the neighborhood is safe; people are comfortable living in the neighborhood
- Want to demonstrate safety through an attractive environment (better lighting, landscaping, traffic calming, snow/ice removal)
- Neighborhood watch programs demonstrate that the neighborhood works together; knowing the police; police have “our back”
- More visible police presence to keep problems out.